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SUBJECT: UNITED LEFT CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

1. KKE-EXTERIOR FIRST SECRETARY HARILAOS FLORAKIS ADDRESSED UNITED LEFT CAMPAIGN RALLY OF UP TO 35,000 PERSONS AT ARISTOTELOUS SQUARE HERE LATE NOVEMBER 10. SPEECH WHICH CONTAINED ATTACKS ON US BASES IN GREECE, SIXTH FLEET, AND NATO AGREEMENT FOLLOWED STANDARD COMMUNIST LINE. RALLY ALSO ADDRESSED BY "RIZOSPASTIS" EDITOR LEONIDAS KYRKOS AND UNITED LEFT CANDIDATES O. TSOUPOULOS AND ANASTASIOS TSIARAS. CROWDS SMALLER THAN THOSE FOR OTHER PARTY LEADERS (THESS 700), BUT WELL ORGANIZED AND ENTHUSIASTIC.

2. OTHER LOCAL ACTIVITIES OF UNITED LEFT SUGGEST THAT, DESPITE COALITION, FACTIONAL DIVISIONS PERSIST. FOR EXAMPLE, ON 57TH ANNIVERSARY OF RUSSIAN REVOLUTION NOVEMBER 14, KEE-EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR WINGS HELD SEPARATE OBSERVANCES HERE. LOCAL UNITED LEFT CAMPAIGN LEAFLETS ALSO REFLECT DIVISIONS WITH SOME URGING PREFERENCE CROSSES FOR KKE-INTERIOR CANDIDATES AND OTHERS FOR REPS OF EXTERIOR WING. KYRKOS ADDRESSED SEPARATE GATHERING HERE NOVEMBER 11 ORGANIZED EXCLUSIVELY
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BY EDA AND KEE-INTERIOR. SPLITS WITHIN UNITED LEFT

FURTHER EVIDENT IN ORGANIZATION OF SEPARATE STUDENT
GROUPS DURING CAMPUS ELECTIONS HERE NOVEMBER 9. (THESS 729).
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